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1. SUMMARY: INDIAN REP READ HIS GOVERNMENT'S ANNOUNCE-
MENT OF NUCLEAR TEST (REFTEL) AT 637TH CCD PLENARY. REPS OF CANADA,
JAPAN, AND SWEDEN MADE STATEMENTS EXPRESSING CONCERN OVER TEST AND
ITS EFFECT ON PROLIFERATION AND NPT. US REP MADE BRIEF STATEMENT
AUTHORIZED IN STATE 104770. NEITHER SOVIET NOR PAKISTANI REPS
SPOKE; HOWEVER, PAKISTANIS PREPARING MAJOR STATEMENT TO BE MADE
AT 638TH PLENARY BY PERMANENT UNDERSECRETARY OF MINISTRY OF FOREIGN
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AFFAIRS. END SUMMARY.

2. AMB MISHRA (INDIA) LED OFF 637TH PLENARY BY READING HIS GOVERN-
MENT'S ANNOUNCEMENT OF NUCLEAR TEST (REFTEL). FOLLOWING GENERAL
SPEECHES ON DISARMAMENT BY EGYPT AND ROMANIA (SEPIAL), REPS OF
CANADA, JAPAN, SWEDEN AND US MADE STATEMENTS ON INDIAN TEST.
SOVIETS AND ALLIES DID NOT SPEAK NOR DID UK SPEAK. PAKISTAN ALSO
DID NOT SPEUD, BUT PAKISTANI REP, AMB NAIK, TOLD US THAT MAJOR

INTERVENTION OF "COMPREHENSIVE NATURE" IS PLANNED FOR 638TH PLENARY MAY 23 BY AGA SHAHI, PERMANENT UNDERSECRETARY OF MINFONOFF WHO COMING FROM PAKISTAN TO MAKE STATEMENT.

3. AMB NISIBOR (JAPAN) READ THE FOLLOWING:

"ON APRIL 18, THE ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION OF INDIA MADE KNOWN THAT INDIA HAD CONDUCTED AN UNDERGROUND TEST FOR PEACEFUL PURPOSES.

"JAPAN HAS LONG TAKEN THE POSITION THAT IT OPPOSES ANY NUCLEAR TEST BY ANY COUNTRY.

"IT HAS BEEN MAINTAINED THAT THE NUCLEAR TEST OF INDIA WAS CONDUCTED FOR PEACEFUL PURPOSES. HOWEVER, SINCE THERE IS NO DISTINGUISHING BETWEEN A NUCLEAR TEST FOR PEACEFUL PURPOSES AND A NUCLEAR WEAPON TEST, THE NUCLEAR TEST OF INDIA EVEN ALLOWING THAT IT WAS FOR PEACEFUL PURPOSES, IS IN CONTRADICTION TO THE INTERNATIONAL EFFORTS AND WORLD OPINION BENT ON PREVENTING THE PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS. IT ALSO RUNS COUNTER TO THE JAPANESE POSITION OF OPPOSING ALL NUCLEAR TESTS BY ALL COUNTRIES. ACCORDINGLY, JAPAN EXPRESSES REGRET OVER THE TEST CONDUCTED BY INDIA AND RESERVES THE LIBERTY TO STATE LATER IN THIS COMMITTEE ITS DETAILED VIEWS ON THE MATTER."

4. AMB BARTON (CANADA) SAID:

"IT HAD BEEN MY INTENTION THIS MORNING TO SPEAK OF MATTERS ON OUR REGULAR AGENDA BUT I AM OBLIGED TO SPEAK INSTEAD - AT LEAST BRIEFLY OF THE SITUATION CREATED BY INDIA'S EXPLOSION OF A NUCLEAR DEVICE. I AM NOT ABLE TO SPEAK THIS MORNING WITH ALL THE CONSIDERATION DUE TO THIS SERIOUS MATTER. I CAN AT THIS TIME ONLY SAY HOW VERY DISTURBED THE CANADIAN GOVERNMENT IS BY INDIA'S DECISION TO EXPLODE A NUCLEAR DEVICE. IT IS EXAMINING MOST CAREFULLY THE FULL IMPLICATIONS OF WHAT HAS HAPPENED.

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"THE INDIAN ACTION REPRESENTS A SEVERE SET-BACK TO THE EFFORTS OF THIS BODY TO HALT ALL NUCLEAR TESTING AND TO CHECK THE PROLIFERATION TO MORE COUNTRIES OF NUCLEAR EXPLOSIVE DEVICES.

"CANADA'S LONG-STANDING COOPERATION WITH INDIA IN THE NUCLEAR ENERGY FIELD HAS BEEN FOR PEACEFUL PURPOSES ONLY AND HAS BEEN ACCEPTED BY INDIA ON THAT BASIS. INDIA HAS DECLARED ITS NUCLEAR EXPLOSION TO BE FOR RESEARCH IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF NUCLEAR EXPLOSIVES FOR SOLELY PEACEFUL PURPOSES. UNLIKE INDIA, CANADA IS A PARTY TO THE NON-PROLIFERATION TREATY. AS A PARTY, CANADA HAS MADE CLEAR THAT IT SEES NO DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE DEVELOPMENT OF NUCLEAR EXPLOSIVES INTENDED FOR PEACEFUL PURPOSES AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF NUCLEAR EXPLOSIVES FOR MILITARY PURPOSES. IN THE LIGHT OF THIS, THE CANADIAN GOVERNMENT MUST VIEW INDIA'S ACTION WITH SPECIAL

CONCERN."

5. AMB MARTIN (US), UTILIZING GUIDANCE STATE 104770, MADE FOLLOWING STATEMENT:

"I SHOULD LIKE TO MAKE A VERY BRIEF STATEMENT WITH REGARD TO THE NUCLEAR TEST MADE LAST SATURDAY BY THE ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION OF INDIA, WHICH HAS BEEN MENTIONED BY PREVIOUS SPEAKERS, INCLUDING THE DISTINGUISHED REPRESENTATIVE OF INDIA, AMBASSADOR MISHRA.

"MR CHAIRMAN, THE UNITED STATES HAS ALWAYS BEEN AGAINST NUCLEAR PROLIFERATION. THIS POSITION WAS ADOPTED BECAUSE OF THE ADVERSE IMPACT NUCLEAR PROLIFERATION WILL HAVE ON WORLD STABILITY. THIS REMAINS THE POSITION OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT."

6. AMB ECKERBERG (SWEDEN), NOTING THAT HIS GOVERNMENT HAD CONSISTENTLY OPPOSED ALL NUCLEAR TESTS AND HAD OFTEN EXPRESSED ITS CONCERN OVER CONTINUED TESTING, READ PART OF STATEMENT ON TEST MADE MAY 20 BY SWEDISH PRIME MINISTER PALME. ECKERBERG ADDED THAT IN STATEMENT PALME UNDERLINED THAT EFFORTS TO GAIN WIDER ADHERENCE TO NPT AND TO SECURE CTB MUST BE INTENSIFIED. ABRAMS

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